

**MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants for this position must be at least 50 years of age and able to perform all the duties required of a SAVE member. Successful candidates must be willing to work four shifts of four-hours each and attend one two-hour training session per month. Ideal candidates should be public service and community oriented, friendly, courteous, and possess high ethical standards.

**PREFERRED REQUIREMENTS**

Candidates with previous public service backgrounds or bi-lingual skills are encouraged to apply.

**TO BE CONSIDERED**

If you are interested in this opportunity, you may obtain additional information by contacting:

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Applications are accepted on a continual basis.



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**The CITY OF RENO**  
Invites Applicants  
for

**SENIOR  
AUXILIARY  
VOLUNTEER  
EFFORT  
(S.A.V.E.)**



# THE COMMUNITY

Reno, The Biggest Little City in the World, is the largest city in northern Nevada and the third largest in the state with a population of 195,700. Sparks, with a population of 76,000, lies east of Reno. The metropolitan area, with a total population of nearly 360,000, is located on the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada Mountains at an elevation of 4,500 feet. Reno's location provides a temperate climate year round characterized by sunshine more than 80% of the year. The major industries include tourism, warehousing, technology, transportation, outdoor recreation, retail sales, and more recently, retirees. With an increasingly diversified economy, the region is strategically located along major transportation links. Easy access to the metropolitan area of Northern California has stimulation warehousing and related industries, and e-business has facilitated technology. As the major metropolitan area in Northern Nevada, Reno serves as the center of retail trade and medical services for a large area of Nevada and California. Outdoor recreation and tourism are significant industries for the Reno economy.

Reno is the home of the University of Nevada, Reno which includes its renowned schools of medicine, journalism, mines and engineering. Other educational opportunities exist at the Truckee Meadows Community College and numerous public and private schools that offer citizens of all ages excellent education opportunities.

The region has an extensive parks system, including more than 100 park sites totaling nearly 1,200 acres. Over 50 golf courses are within an hours drive to provide an outstanding golfing experience for residents and visitors. Cultural and leisure attractions abound and include the Fleischman Planetarium and the Keck Museum at the University of Nevada, the Wilbur May Arboretum and Botanical Garden, Nevada Museum of Art, Sierra Arts Museum, Nevada Opera, Pioneer Theater, Lear Theater of Performing Arts, and the National Automobile Museum. Reno is thirty miles from Carson City, the State Capital, and Lake Tahoe renown for its skiing, hiking, and boating.

The City also enjoys being home to many special events such as “Artown” (the largest single cultural event in America), the Reno National Rodeo, Hot August Nights, the Balloon Races and the National Championship Air Races.

There is a wide variety of housing in diverse settings at very affordable prices. These settings include older homes in established central areas, new subdivisions, and homes with a variety of scenic views of the mountains and valleys.

# THE ORGANIZATION

The Senior Auxiliary Volunteer Effort (SAVE) is a civilian volunteer organization of the Reno Police Department. It was created in August of 1977 and originally consisted of fifteen volunteers for the purpose of relieving police officers of certain duties and to provide an increased level of crime prevention through patrol and observation. These cadres of volunteers which currently number 100 provide an invaluable service to our community and allow police officers to concentrate on proactive enforcement and other crime prevention matters.

# THE POSITION

SAVE members are provided with a uniform, badge, and other necessary equipment to perform a variety of tasks upon successful completion of training. They may work under the direction of police officers or experienced SAVE members, depending on their current assignment. Personal safety is paramount and SAVE members are always paired with partners and instructed to avoid confrontational situations.

Many tasks previously assigned only to uniformed officers are now being performed by volunteers. Some of these tasks include enforcing parking violations for expired registration, handicapped parking, and vehicles posted for sale on city streets; posting notices on abandoned vehicles; documenting graffiti locations; performing traffic control at accident and fire scenes; conducting traffic surveys; performing safety presentations to elementary and middle school students; walking around the downtown corridor as goodwill ambassadors; assisting with front desk operations at the main police station; conducting vacation house watches; performing “Shelter in Place” Homeland Security presentations to senior citizens; and providing visible mobile patrol in school and park areas.

